

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION  
No. 5:20-cv-59-BO

ROBERT DOCKERY,  
Plaintiff,

v.

ARMY AIRFORCE EXCHANGE  
SERVICE,  
Defendant.

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ORDER

This cause comes before the Court *sua sponte* because of plaintiff's failure to respond to the Court's previous order. On February 21, 2020, the Court directed plaintiff to cure numerous deficiencies in his filings within fourteen days. [DE 3]. Plaintiff has not responded.

Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure authorizes the Court to dismiss an action with prejudice for failure to prosecute, as the power to do so "has generally been considered an inherent power, governed not by rule or statute but by the control necessarily vested in courts to manage their own affairs so as to achieve the orderly and expeditious disposition of cases." *Link v. Wabash R.R. Co.*, 370 U.S. 626, 630–31 (1962) (quotation omitted). As plaintiff has failed to prosecute this action or demonstrate good cause for his failure to do so, plaintiff's complaint is hereby DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

SO ORDERED, this 18 day of April, 2020.



TERRENCE W. BOYLE  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE